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Back to School Newsletter - September 2024

Dear Bridge Families and Caregivers,

We hope you've had a nice summer with family and friends. Here are a few reminders of our schedule for the first week of school as well as important upcoming dates and information.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Bridge next week.

Our Bridge PAC (Parent Advisory Council) will be hosting a welcome and coffee station on Tuesday, September 3rd while your children are in class so please stop by to say hi, meet other families and find out more about our PAC and volunteer opportunities!



Our PAC Executive for the 2024-2025 School Year

Co-Chairs - Vera Menzies and Kim Nowitsky **Secretary** - Theresa MacDonald **Treasurer** - Angeline Singh

Enjoy the long weekend!

The Staff and PAC at Bridge



Tuesday, September 3rd, 2024

All students in Grades 1-7 9:00-10:00am

Please return to your last year's class using the door and classroom guide on the Welcome Bulletin Board.

New Bridge students will be placed with students at their grade level. We will meet you at the front of the school to guide you to your class for the week.

Kindergarten Students 10:30-11:15am

All English Kindergarten students, please meet **Ms. Nguyen** at the front of the school.

All EFI (Early French Immersion) Kindergarten students, please meet Madame Yamamoto and Madame Parkes near the primary playground on the south side of the school.

Kindergarten Families: Please refer to the **Gradual Entry Schedule and Letter** for more detailed information about the first two weeks of school. This was sent to you in a separate email in July.

Wednesday - Friday, Sept. 4th – 6th Grades 1-7 8:45am – 2:45pm

Students in Grades 1-7 will attend school for the full day. Please remember to send a healthy recess snack, a lunch and a water bottle in your child's backpack.

We hope to have all students placed in their new class for the year by the end of the day on Friday, September 6th.

Recess Snack Ideas

Ideas for healthy recess snacks:

- -apple slices -cheese and crackers
- -oranges -a hard-boiled egg
- -a banana -a granola bar
- -mini carrots -berries
- -cucumbers -cheese strings
- -celery -snap peas





Students will be outside rain or shine for recess and lunch breaks all year long. Please send your child to school dressed and prepared for weather changes.

- Raincoat
- Umbrella
- Boots/Extra shoes
- Extra socks
- Warm clothes in the winter

Cutlery - Forks, Spoons, Chopsticks

Thank you for packing cutlery in your child's lunch box if they need a fork, spoon or chopsticks to eat their meal. We are working hard to help save the environment, so we don't have extra cutlery at the school.

Many Dollar Stores have

stainless steel forks, spoons and re-usable chopsticks which are easy to clean and re-use every day!



2024-2025 School Hours

8:40 am Doors Open 8:45 am Classes Begin 10:10-10:25 am Recess Break 11:50-12:42 pm Lunch Break 2:45 pm Dismissal

Bridge School Website:

https://bridge.sd38.bc.ca/



X (Twitter): @bridgebulldogs

PAC Facebook Page:

William Bridge Elementary PAC

PAC Email:

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For updates, please check our website and Week at a Glance (WAAG) newsletters.

Friday, September 20, 2024Pro-D Day - No school for students

Monday, September 30, 2024
Schools Closed in recognition of
Truth and Reconciliation Day

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 Individual and Class Photo Day

Monday, October 14, 2024
Thanksgiving Day - Schools Closed

Tuesday, October 22, 2024
Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
for In-Person Learning Updates #1

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
for In-Person Learning Updates #1

Friday, October 25, 2024Pro-D Day - No school for students

Monday, November 11, 2024
Remembrance Day – Schools closed

Monday, November 25, 2024Pro-D Day - No school for students

Wednesday, November 27, 2024
Grades 6 and 7 Immunizations

Thursday, December 19, 2024 Written Learning Update #1

Winter Break:

December 21, 2024 – January 5, 2025 Last day of school before the Break Friday, December 20, 2024 Return to school – Monday, January 6, 2025 **Monday, January 27, 2025**Pro-D Day - No school for students

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
for In- Person Learning Updates #2

Thursday, February 13, 2025Early Dismissal at 1:45pm
for In-Person Learning Updates #2

Friday, February 14, 2025Pro-D Day - No school for students

Monday, February 17, 2025 Family Day – Schools Closed

Friday, February 28, 2025Pink Shirt Day

Spring Break

March 15 – March 30, 2025 Last day of school – Friday, March 14 Return to school – Monday, March 31

Friday, April 18, 2025 Good Friday – Schools closed

Monday, April 21, 2025 Easter Monday – Schools closed

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 Written Learning Update #2

Friday, May 16, 2025
Pro-D Day - No school for students

Monday, May 19, 2025 Victoria Day – Schools closed

June 2-4, 2025 Grade 7 Outdoor Ed – Camp Jubilee

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 Grades K/1/6/7 Immunizations

Thursday, June 26, 2025
Final Summary of Learning published
Last day of school for students

Summer Break

June 27 to September 1, 2025 Return to school – Tues., Sept. 2, 2025